NINETY-SEVENTH YEAR.

WEDNESDAY MORNING. JUNE 21, 1905.

SUMMARY OF The St. Louis Republic

Wednesday, June 21, 1905.

FORECAST.	A.M.
St. Louis and Vicinity.	6-73
Partly cloudy, thunder showers:	6−81
alightly lower temperature; vari-	10-61
For Missouri-Partly cloudy to-	11-76
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Yesterday's Conditions.	12-71
Weather: Partly cloudy, Tem-	P.M.
perature: Maximum, 41; mini- mum, 7; degrees, Wind; Direc-	1-70
tion, east to north-east, maximum velocity. 4 miles an hour. Pre-	2-70
Cipitation: At 7 p. m., 1.97 Inches.	3-71
Number of Maximum, 18 per cent	4-72
Stage of the river, 10 % at 7 a. m.	5-74
L Di.	6-76
Sunrise, 6:24: Funset, 7:29:	9 - 75
dought of day, 14th, Moon rises,	15-75
Bile: last quarter, June 14; new Moon, July 1. Bret quarter, July	A.M.
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FEATURES OF TO-DAY'S NEWS

I. liousevelt Experates Morton. County Grand Jury's Report. Three Arrests at Delmar. Woman Struck by Lightning. Russo-Japanese Peace Plans. Howen-Loomis Controversy.

2. Macon Pesse Kills Murderer. Doctor Simon Retafiates. 3. Convict Emulates Jean Vallean.

Deneen Plays Strange Game. 4. Congress Campaign Prospects. Former Postmaster Sentenced.

5. Twenty Dead of the Seat. General Rains Levelt Crops.

7. Lose \$1.000,000 to Porner. Memphis Considers Terminals. 9. Homesickness tauses Saicide.

Bathing Mixup taused Trouble. Closed Carriage Reveals Wedding

ge and Death Records and New orporations on Page 10. Vessel invements on Page 2.

"To PROMOTE BOWES.

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zy makes minority report, opposing milay closing Loretto Academy of Platisant held its ty-eighth annual common ement exer-PAGE 4.

Mrs. Leona. Smith was knocked senseby a bolt of lightering while holding alarm clock.

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Missouri was begun by Special Com-PAGE 2 enement block on Ellint avenue and ddard street was sold to Charles E. adley for \$18,000, PAGE 12

GENERAL DONESTIC. lack Plummer chased and killed by Ma- TO TAFT BY ROWEN. n. Mo., posse after he slew a mine boss cold blood PAGE Z

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sel by heat that has prevailed to ttsburg since Sunday. nearly \$1,000,000 to a forger. PAGE 1. tentiary in shoe box, got idea from go's Jean Valjean PAGE 1 States. overnor Dencen appoints as Rallway

imission supporter of each of three ding candidates for Senate. RAILROADS. Betale of Memphis roads met here to

PAGE 7. SPORT NEWS. Huron won the feature race at fa-

PAGE & rney Pelty breaks losing streak and rns win from Washington, PAGE & in prevented the same between the ale and Boston yesterday, PAGE & shousend St. Louis turners will de-PAGE &

PRESIDENT OUSTS BOWEN

Finding of Secretary Taff Is Approved, and Venezuelan Minister's Conduct Declared to Be Reprehensible-Greatly in Error Had His Charges Been True-Course Unbearable Since His Indictments Are Proven to Be Unfounded - Roosevelt Analyzes Case in Extended Letter, Before Announcing Decision.

IS DECLARED TO HAVE BEEN INDISCREET.

PROMOTIONS TO BOWEN

Washington, June 26 - Mr. Bowen, after learning his fate from the President in the presence of Secretary Taft, who was his classmate at Tale for • four years, prepared to leave Washington and departed for home at East Grange, N. J., at 4 o'clock. He said:

• publication Thursday morning. I am not going to drop the matter." It is said that Mr. Howen, while talking with the President to-day, re-· minded him that after he had first referred to Secretary Hay- his · charges against Mr. Loomis he had been offered by cable promotion to Chile, with promises of a subsequent elevation to the rank of Ambassador to Brazil.

The President is said to have replied: **------**

Washington, June 20.-The dismissal of | ____ Herbert W. Bowen, for some years State Francis R. Loomis of the allegations brought against him by Mr. Bowen, are the outcome of the Loomis-Bowen controversy, which has attracted wide attention for many months.

This disposition of the case is made by President Roosevelt in a letter addressed to Secretary Taft, made public to-night, approving Mr. Taft's report on his findings and conclusions in the case.

The President scathingly arraigns Minister Bowen, declaring that his conduct is "especially reprehensible"; that Mr. Bowen asked one of his witnesses to en- President Argues It Would Be ter the employ of a certain company for the purpose of, "in plain words, stealing," documents which he hoped might incriminste Mr. Leemis, and that Mr. Bowen has "evidently, for many months, indeed for the last two years, devoted himself" to hunting up schedul and gossip un-

PAGE 1 PRESIDENT HAD DOPED

conduct, and the dismissal is therefore

testimony. The President states that it amounts that Mr. Howen, while Minister, soured the publication of attacks on Mr. PAGE 4. ment for approval, and that his explanaletter of Type. then is inexcusable and shows his "entire ndiness" for the service.

Even if Mr. Loomis had been guilty. are the President Mr. Bowen's conduct would be unnardenable. The letter quotes certain correspondence and testinons. The report of Secretary Taft on the case. on which the President's action is based, dropped. is a voluminous document, reviewing the charges and the evidence taken.

In his report Secretary Taft says that there was nothing dishenumble in the statement to one year in transactions in which Mr. Loomis figured. PAUL 4 | but that he was not discreet. The report says that Mr. Loomis

not justified in becoming personally interested in any of the schemes, either with a more nominal interest or substantial interest. He holds, however, that dered," commends him for the self-restraint with which he has met the charges and points out that Mr. Leomis's bitter experience in this case makes it unnecessary to point the moral that a Minteter cannot afford to the country to which PAGE 1: he is accredited to make personal in-

The President's letter is as follows:

Secretary Taft-Sir: I have real your report of June 19 on the Howen-Louiste matter with all your findings and conclusions regarding Mr. Loomis, and have nothing to add

bas coule nombre charges. Mr. Sowen has de To be a more matter of terminalogy. In his court on motions to dismise for want of letter to fectuary Test of April I, beginning jurisdiction: "My Dear Bill," and staned "Herbert," he mettien!

of the Department of State during the absence of Mr. Hay I feel that I ought to see that you are fully informed as to the terrible wunded in the situation here, obsequently I include here-with copies of papers which have been in Mr-Hay's hands and which will fromish you with

DOCUMENTS PURMISHED

Then follow certain cattlegrams, thefuling & report that Mr. Levinte was putd a check, and that the curtodian of the Formules Lake had in his prassuum this check, and also a letter grondsing that the United States would not in riene, and that the President of Venusuela. wenty are dead and fifteen more pros- felt estimed because of these facts, a copy of The same arguments apply in all the cases. exulted in a latter to Mr. Hay, of Primary M. 185, in PAGE 4. which Mr. Bowen distinctly states his helper that this alleged and, as it turns out, wholly actitions offers and whorly actitions letter Harry Hammond, who escaped from because he had them, had indented not feared to refuse artification with the United

> He then furnishes documents, which he save were friend by film in the legation safe a year ago, and/were went by him so Mr. Hay gether with many other documents; and Mr. Bines states that Mr. Hav intimated to turn that he had performed his whole duty by sending these documents to him. Mr. Boxen makes pertain comments on the documents "To Mr. Runell, now Minister to Colombia

through the influence of Mr. Loomis." (Which entiment, incidentally, is untrue.)

Mr. Lounts collected the Mercador claim from the Venozuelan Government, got a share of it for a small sum and never required the case to the Department of State " And again he says:

recountly got appointed Minister to Panama. sourt Athletic Club will held closed | (Which is again an entrick. He Loomis had Continued on Page Two

AND EXONERATES LOOMIS

PRESIDENT OFFERED TWO TO HUSH UP CHARGES?

· REPUBLIC SPECIAL

"I will make a statement of my side of the case and it will be ready for

Yes, I would have given a great deal to hush this thing un."

United States Minister to Venezuela, and the exoneration of Assistant Secretary of ROUSEVELT GIVES

Prepares Certificate of Good Conduct for Navy Secretary When He Leaves Cabinet.

SANTA FE CASE WHITEWASHED

Unfair to Prosecute One Official and Let Many Othera Escape.

Wyatt Building, 14th and F Streets. Washington, June 26.-Paul Morton, volved him in the relating case against • ecutor and the Sheriff have been • that read, will go out of the Cabinet into | diligent in the performance of their • The President says he had hoped to promote Mr. Bowen, as during much of his service he had lene seed work, but that six usefulness in the diplomatic service is now at an end.

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The President says he had hoped to promote Mr. Bowen, as during much of his service is final material and the president of the product of the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of good conduct from the President of the United States It is definitely known that the President in his statement on the Santa Fe case, which will be issued to the presson Thurshay, will praise Mr. Morting that for his statement that he would consider a resignation an admission of missingle of the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of good conduct from the President of the Cabinet into the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of good conduct from the President of the Cabinet into the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of good conduct from the President of the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of good conduct from the President of the Cabinet into the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of good conduct from the President of the Cabinet into the Equitable, bearing a most conclusive certificate of the cath of inet officer called upon to give advice in railroad matters,

It is understood that the President will refer to Mr. Merton's frank testimony in other cases against his road, particularly pleion of what to me would be a . that known as the meat products case. • fagrant violation of my official • street, yesterday noon, Mrs. Leona Smith, and will argue that this direct spirit of will be lively in some ments pending before the State Departserves praise rather than criminal prose- this personal protest.

So the fact is become clear, which has been asserted in these disputches before, that the Santa Fe case, which contained, according to the Interstate Commerce Commission, instances of gross violation of the Elkins antirebate act, will be

Among the friends of the administration the statement to be issued on Thursday will be accepted as entirely "clearing" Mr. Morton of any discreditable connection with rebating. Judging from such of the contents of the statement as are known in Washington to-night, there will be from the opposite viewpoint much room for regarding it as a most thorough whitewash of the whole Sunta Fe affair.

A part of the reasoning to be advanced by the Attorney General and the President to explain the policy adopted will be based on the argument that it would be unfair to prosecute one set of railroad officials for doing what many other officials of other roads were doing at the

There will be implied by inference at least an administration belief that the leading rallroads have turned their faces in earnest against the practice of rebating, and that the evil to a large extent is a

CONTESTS TO BE ARGUED.

Pive Circuit Judges Will Sit To gether on Election Cases.

The following election contest cases will be argued Priday afternoon in the Circuit

John A. Talty against Rolla Wells, for Mayor: L. P. Aloe against James Hagerman Jr., for Collector; Charles Wiggins against James Y. Player, for Comptroller, Oscar Doering against Bernard Dierkes for Auditor; Wilbur F. Parker against John J. O'Brien, for President of the Board of Assessors: John W. Dunn against James M. Franciscus, for Treasover; Joseph A. Duffy against Julius Leaser, for Councilman, and Solomon Books against Mark Ewing for Councilman, The arguments will be heard by Judges

Taylor, Hough, Reunolds, Ryan and Mo-Donald, sixting together. The cases are assigned to courtrooms of those Judgen The defendants are all Isomograts. The Republicans against whom contests have been begun have all filed answers

BANK PAYS LARGE DIVIDEND. Fifth Avenue Stockholders to Re-

ceive 120 Per (Int. REPORTED AN APPRICAT. New York, June M.-Stockholders of the Pifth Avenue Bank will receive an extra dividend of 120 per cent Priday. The sum past cut will amount to \$30,000. The capital stock of the institution is 250,000. The dividend is paid out of the profits of the bank earned in 1905 and 1904. In the former year an extra dividend of 160 per

This dishursement supplements the all easly large regular dividend of 25 per cenquarterly, which the bank has been pay-ing since 180. The stock of the bank to quoted at 1500 bid and 2500 arked. The Chemical National pays the largest dividend, amounting to 180 per cent a year, and its stock is quoted at 4275 bid and 4.225 asked.

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City Hospitel.

will recover.

REPUBLIC SPIZIAL.

ernor early in July.

Thinking it was night because of th

Madison Hotel, Breadway and Chestnut

The young weman was thrown across

an ambulance was called and she was tak-

Her hands and chin were badly burned

and she auffered a severe nervous attack

After arriving at the hospital Mrs.

Smith regained consciousness. She said

she had been resting on a bed and when

thought it was night and got up to see the

time. She took the clock from the table,

walked to the window to see the time and

As Mrs. Smith walked to the window

several other women employed at the ho-

dow, in appearance like a ball of fire.

Mrs. Smith, they say, seemed to rise from

"I never had such a feeling in my life,"

said Mrs. Smith in describing the shock

"The clock seemed to be on fire and the

myself falling and knew no more after I

The hospital physicians believe that sh

PETITION AGAINST THE "LID."

seph Appeal to Governor Folk.

St. Joseph. Mo., June 20 .- Ten thousand

signatures have been secured in this city

to the petition asking Governor Folk to

rescind the order closing the saloons on

Sunday. Local dramshopkeepers say the

petition will be presented to the Gov-

tion against those engaged in this line

The petition charges unjust discrim

the floor and fall across the chair. The

then, she says, she suffered what she

"PEACE WITH HONOR."

Lightning at the Madison-

Arose to Look at Clock-Con-

Foreman Kimball, of County Body, Files Minority Report on "the Lid."

NO TRUE BILLS RETURNED.

Violation of Dramshop Law Charges Are Ignored-Renney Indicted for Killing of Townsend.

FOREMAN KIMBALL'S

MINORITY REPORT. . The finding of "not a true bill" in . all the cases of alleged violation by • dramshop keepers of the so-called • ♦ Sunday law, submitted to this ♦ ♦ Grand Jury-twenty-two in all-as ♦ • shown by the formal report, filed • herewith, is so unusual in the . • judgment of its foreman as to jus- • · tify this additional statement,

The evidence that the public pros-

financial loss, obeyed in letter and . · spirft the law, whose nonenforce. ment for many years had led them . • ing to rest under the possible sus- •

· It is my further belief that it · would be uncless to submit to us o rocking chair, where she remained until any other cases of this character, & ♦ and that, to my mind, is sufficient ♦ on to the City Hospital, • cause for our immediate discharge • and for the empaneling of a special . • Grand Jury to consider new cases • as a result of the shock. Her condition of this class that may arise, as well o as those that this Grand Jury has passed upon.

This statement, I am authorized . to say, voices the sentiments of . • other members of this Grand Jury • as well as my own.

E++++++++++++++ Sunday closing of saloons was the rock | thought was a paralytic stroke on her left upon which the St. Louis County Grand side. The woman declares she knew noth-Jury split in its final report to Judge Mo- ing further until she was revived at the Elldaney in the Clayton Circuit Court yesterday, and resulted in the submission of a separate recommendation by Major tel entered the room. A clap of thunder

T. D. Kimball of Kirkwood, foreman of came and there was a finsh at the win-Of the twenty-two cases of alleged Sunday closing violations taken before the women fiel downstairs and reported the Grand Jury all were ignored, not a single | spectacle. true bill being returned.

The other members of the Grand Jury were August Schroeder, Charles Schueler, burning sensution was agonizing. I felt William C. Luther Sr., Henry Kassebaum Alfred Laverdure, John Givans, E. H. Hobelmann, Christ Von Gruben, Thomas F. Ackerman and F. H. Twillman.

In the report the jurors stated that they were surprised at the lazity on the part of justices of the peace in making re- Ten Thousand Persons in St. Jo ports to the County Court, and criticised the custom of justices collecting fines. Constables, they say, should make the collections, as the justices are not bonded officers and have no more right than the Judge of the Circuit Court to receive fines.

esponsible for the irregularities. In one township, the report states, out of more than \$800 imposed in fines in less than two years, only 23 was collected by the constable. Apparent discrepancies were found, in some cases, between the amount of fines imposed and the amount collected and paid over to the County Treasurer, but they were not such as to justify further investigation, the mistakes eing attributed to loose business meth-

Books of the county and Circuit Clerks. Treasurer and Collector were examined and approved. The jury found the juli well kept and the prisoners properly cared officials who assisted the jurous in their

investigation. An indictment, charging naurder in the second degree, was returned against Jack Renney, barkesper for Max Gumpertz in the Delmar Road House, who shot and killed Earl R. B. Townsend, a chorus singer and athlete, in a fight at that place REPUBLIC SPECIAL. June 7. The only other indictment rea til-year-old cirl in that town. An ignored bill was returned in the case

of robbery. Judge McElhinney received the repor and said he regretted that there should have been any difference between the nue and 150 feet on Twenty-fourth street. pany will not take possession of the site jurors and thanked them for their efforts | Preliminary eletches have already been | until Doctor Parkhurst's congregation to

Charge George Ehrlich With Bookmaking.

Men Said to Be Sheet Writers and Cashier Taken in Custody-Blackboard and Papers Seized.

Three arrests were made at the Delmar race track yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriffs W. D. Olderworth and Clarence Campbell of St. Louis County, immediately after the close of racing for the day. George Ehrlich was taken into custody for the second time and with him were E. B. Kent and K. Miller.

Warrants charging them with violating the new anti-poolselling law were issued by Justice I. W. Campbell. All three were cleased on bonds in the sum of \$1,000

nen will be held Friday in Justice Campbell's court at No. 600 Olive Street road. darkness, and arising to see what time to Ehrlich appeared in Justice Stobie's was by an alarm clock in her room at the a similar charge preferred against him last Sutarday when he was arrested. The case was continued until next Tuesday It is probable that this case will be dismissed on account of lack of evidence.

Justice Campbell, the defendants will probably be held to the Grand Jury. The Prosecuting Attorney may, in his discretion, issue an official information against them instead of waiting for the convening of that body and this will

she awoke and noticed the darkness she FORGING RECORDS

Former Chief Philadelphia Filtration Bureau Arrested on Allegations That He Falsified Papers in Connection With \$700,-000 Contract.

of John W. Hill, who resigned last week as chief of the Bureau of Filtration on the charge of forgery and falsifying certain books and papers belonging to the city, and the annulment of a \$700,900 contract held by D. J. McNichol & Co., were the dramatic developments to-day in Philadelphia's sensational political upheaval. Hill entered ball in the sum of \$10,000 for

a hearing to-morrow. The arrest of Hill is the third that oc curred in connection with city contracts since the Mayor began his fight for municipal reform. The warrant charges Hill with having committed forgery, in that he made or caused to be made a statement giving a false estimate of the work done by the firm of D. J. McNichol & Co. on the fitration plants and also with falsifying certain books and papers of the city for the purpose of defrauding the

Mrs. Leona Smith Suffers From Deputy Sheriffs of County Again

The preliminary hearings of the accused

court in Wellston yesterday to answer to If the evidence is deemed sufficient by

Philadelphia, Ps., June 31.-The arrest

Former Chief Hill received a salary

HIGHEST BUILDING IN WORLD TO BE ERECTED IN NEW YORK

for. A vote of thanks was given to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Com- pany Will Erect Skyscraper Higher Than Washing-

ton Monument.

New York. June 20-The Metropolitan turned was against George Warner of Life Insurance Company will erect on the Kirkwood, who is accused of mistreating site of Doctor Parkhurst's church at Madicen avenue and Twenty-fourth street, the tailest building in the world. It will be of Annanias Koler, who had been accused | 50 feet, five feet higher than the Wash-

Octon monument, The site of the Metropolitan's tall tower has frontages of Il feet on Madison ave- teets of the building, although the com-

HEIGHT OF WORLD'S • MOST LOFTY STRUCTURES. 2

Metropolitan Life Insurance build-

Whahington Monument, 555 feet City Hall, Philadelphia, M7 feet. Cologne Cathedral, 513 feet. Pyramid of Cheops, 579 feet. St. Nicholas Church, Hamburg.

Rouen Cathedral, 45 feet.

Frensbourg Cathedral, 465 feet.

JAPANESE PARTY MAY ARRIVE BY MIDDLE OF JULY

PRICE | Traine Toron Cont.

Mikado's Plenipotentiaries and Assistants May Sail on the Empress of India June 30-

TOKIO COMPLETING DETAILS.

Pending the Arrival of Her Peace Representatives in United States Military Activities Will Continue.

Date Tentatively Set for Beginning of Conference la Suitable to the Czar - England's Voice Against Armis

ing of the peace plenipotentiaries continue through Washington with indications of in early completion of the details.

There has been a series of conferences between the elder statesmen and the Cabinet to consider the conditions and discuss the selection of plenipotentiaries, It is thought to be possible to complete

the details, appoint the plenipotentiaries

and organize a staff of assistants in time for them to sall on the stenmer Empress of Indla June 39 from Yokohama for Vancouver, B. C., a voyage of about two It is expected that the party will numbe

In the meantime military activities will

continue. Important developments in va-

rious directions are expected speedity, RUSSIA WILL ACCEPT AUGUST 1 AS DATE FOR OPENING NEGOTIATIONS.

St. Petersburg, June 20.-Russia, the Associated Press is officially informed, finds no objection to August 1 as suggested by Japan for the date of the meeting of the plenipotentiaries, and instructions will be sent to Ambassador Chasini to accept it. In spite of the dispatch from Washington indicating the possibility that Count

Cassini and Minister Takahira may eign a temperary armistics before the end of

itively that there have been no official exchanges on these subjects. Indeed, according to the view expressed by the Foreign Office's recognized mouthpiece, there is not much expectation that a suspension of hostilities can be arranged. At the same time it is readily agreed that the prospects of peace might be ad-

vanced if a battle could be averted pending the meeting. According to reports current in this city. preliminaries looking to an armistice have already taken place between General Linevitch and Field Marshal Oyama, but the War Office offers no confirmation of this. On the contrary, the news from the front, although meager, all seems to indicate that the Japanese advance has

NO DEVELOPMENTS ARE EXPECTED DURING ABSENCE OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

already begun.

Washington, June 21.-Mr. Takahira, the Japanese Minister, left Washington this morning for Tufts College, Mass., to deliver an address and to receive at the commencement the degree of Doctor of Laws. He does not expect to return to Washington until Friday and will leave Mr. Hicki, the first secretary, in charge of

the legation. In view of the absence of the President for the next few days no development is expected.

It is said that, if the plenipotentiaries adjourn to a summer resort, us is expected unless Washington has unprecedented August weather, none of the diplomats representing the neutral Powers will follow them. There have been formal exchanges between the Ambassadora here on the subject and it is their opinion that it would be in bad taste for any diplomat not directly interested in the conference to go to New England for the purpose of following the negotiations.

ENTIRE SPANISH CABINET'S RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED.

By a Vote of 204 to 45, the Chami Vote of Confidence.

Madrid, June 20.-The entire Cabinet has resigned and its resignation has been accepted by King Alfonso. The resignation followed the rejection of a vote of confidence in the Cabinet introduced in the Chamber of Deputies by Deputy Llorens. Senor Besade, Minister of the Interfor, in supporting the motion, said that the Cabinet had the confidence of the Crown and was backed by public opinion, but it remained to be seen whether it had the requisite parliamentary majority.

The Minister severely attacked Senor Maura, formerly President of the Coun-ell charging him with clandeaunely fight-ing the Government.

The motion was defeated by a vote of 264 to 65.

LICENSE BOARD CITES DOZEN.

Firms to Show Cause Why Revision Should Not Apply. The Board of License Revision met yes-

Clifford's office and perfected organization by electing C. B. Burnham president, and Miss Burbara Walther secretary. The heads of twelve frms have been cited to appear before the board and show

cause why the cost of their licenses should not be increased. The citations are for mercantile firms, and it is the bo contention that many of the fees should be readjusted because of the growth and increase of business in St. Louis.

Six of the merchants will appear Thursday and the others Friday. Other distincts may follow.